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Application Number	09/625,421
Filing Date	July 5, 2000
First Named Inventor	George D. Dumbaugh
Art Unit	3683
Examiner Name	Bradley T. King
Attorney Docket Number	1112-1017.1

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application

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1. Submission required under 37 CFR §1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR §1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR §1.103(c) for a period of _____ months (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR §1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

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- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR §1.17(e)
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 CFR §§1.136 and 1.17) 04/02/2003 RCE/DAF1 00000101 09625421
- iii. ☐ Other 01 EC:2801 375.00 00
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Examiner: Bradley T. King

George D. Dumbaugh

Group Art Unit: 3683

SERIAL NO: 09/625,421

FILED: July 25, 2000

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RESPONSE TO THE ADVISORY OFFICE ACTION OF MARCH 6, 2003 AND
FINAL OFFICE ACTION OF OCTOBER 1, 2003

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Advisory Office Action of March 6, 2003 and the Final Office Action of October 1, 2003 in the above-identified application, for which a Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR §1.114 and a petition for an extension of time until April 1, 2003 is filed herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows.